FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

MONEY MARKET.

SUNDAY, May 4—3 P. M.

At the close of the market yesterday there were indications of a rapid rise in quotations for stocks. The bulls found they were more frightened than hurt, and the panic soon subsided. The week passed off much better than anticipated. The money market has been actively exercised, and call loans have been moved about pretty sharp, but, so far as the banks are concerned, there has been nothing to apprehend. The shipment of specie last week was large, compared with those previously made this year, but it is not large compared with those for the corresponding period last year, and they excited no particular apprehension then. We can easily spare a million of dollars per week for foreign shipment, and then gradually accumulate a larger reserve. An exportation of specie serves materially in keeping our local finances in a healthy condition, and it is better that a portion of our foreign indebtedness should be paid in gold than in anything else. It is one of our staple products, and employs our people in its production as much as corn or cotton, and should be just as legitimate an article of export as either of the others. As soon as the community look upon the movements of gold in this light, we shall have no more of these nonsensical, absurd panics in the money market, and speculators for a fall in the stock market will lose one of their most important depressing influences. As capital increases in the country, and we become more independent of foreign supplies, this feeling of apprehension, upon an unusual shipment of gold, will wear off, and these sudden convulsions in money matters be less frequent and less forcible.

The season is favorable for an active movement in the stock market. All the leading railroad companies are doing a very large and profitable business, and under the present improved systems of management must steadily and permanently improve in value as investments. The month of June will bring into the market a good many outsiders with plenty of money, and they will be forced to take hold of Western railroad stocks for speculative operations. There are no others on the list possessing any margin for a rise. This demand cannot but affect prices favorably, and give those who have purchased at current rates handsome profits, in the event of realizing. It certainly appears to us that the bears have had their last chance for some time. They have not benefitted much by the recent depression. The buyer's option, recently put out at the lowest points of the market, will, without doubt, result in large differences against sellers, and more than offset any benefit derived from cash purchases for delivery at present prices on contracts now maturing. The stocks now operated in at the brokers' board are, as a general thing, of a superior class. They are all, with two or three exceptions, dividend paying stocks, and represent well located, well managed properties. Buyers do not, as in times past with the numerous worthless fancies, have a large interest account running against them without any offset, for the dividends now range from eight to twenty per cent per annum, which the bears have to contend against. All the indications point to a more buoyant and a more active stock market. At all events, those who buy the best stocks on the list at current prices, need have no fears for the investment, whether intended for a temporary or permanent operation.

The exports of specie from this port last week were as follows:—

SHIPMENTS OF SPECIE FROM THE PORT OF NEW YORK.

Brig Inman,	Rio Grande—	Am. gold coin		$22,500 00
Schr. W. S. Brown,	Port au Prince—	Am. gold coin		1,500 00
Ship Golden State,	Hong Kong—	Mex. dollars		21,403 75
Brig Sullivan,	Cuidad Bolivar—	Am. gold coin		8 000 00
Steamship Africa,	Liverpool—	Am. gold coin		875 000 00
Do.	do. do.	Gold bars		155,592 21
Do.	do. do.	Cal. gold coin		1,270 00
Do.	do. do.	Eng. sovereigns		12,609 22
Do.	do. do.	Eng. silver		87 30
Do.	Arago, Havre—	Gold bars		144,621 33
Do.	do. do.	American gold coin		468,000 00
Do.	do. do.	Foreign coin		50,255 00
Do.	do. do.	Gold and silver		78,000 00
Do.	do. do.	Gold coin and dust		5,800 00
Total for the week				$1,844,638 81
Previously reported				6 057,204 81
Total, 1856				$8,901,843 62

The Sub-Treasury received last week about seven hundred thousand dollars more than it paid out. The banks will, without doubt, show a decrease in their specie reserve. The arrivals have been very large, and most of them have been in time to go into bank for this week's report.

A. H. Nicolay's regular semi-weekly auction sale of stocks and bonds will take place on Monday, at 12½ o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange. We are informed that an attractive list of securities is to be sold, by order of executors and others, among which are shares of the Seventh Ward, Pacific, People's and City Banks, and Jefferson, Home, Continental, Citizens', &c. Insurance Companies.

The Central Railroad Company, of New Jersey, have declared a dividend of seven per cent, payable in stock. The National Fire Insurance Company has declared a semi-annual dividend of fifteen per cent. The Eagle Fire Company, a semi-annual dividend of ten per cent. The Chatham Bank, a semi-annual dividend of three and a half per cent.

The semi-annual report of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company will soon be presented to the stockholders. It has the virtue of brevity and comprehensiveness. The directors have, in a few words, and with as few figures as possible, told their story, and the stockholders can easily understand the arguments and deductions. The gross earnings and expenditures during the first six months in the present and past fiscal years were as follows:—

NEW YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD.

	Six mo. end. March 31, 1855.	Six mo. end. March 31, 1856.	Decrease.	Increase.
Wages and transportation exp., incl. gen. sup., office salaries and expen's	$134,103 15	120 487 29	13,615 86	—
Stables	16,188 77	9 952 54	6,236 23	—
Roads, rep'rs, &c	53,482 01	62,225 86	—	3,743 85
Shops	55,768 90	48,089 84	5,679 06	—
Wood	72,817 78	57,078 39	15,739 39	—
Hay & provender	26 966 56	24,316 62	2,644 94	—
Oil and waste	9,519 93	8,514 02	1,005 91	—
Damages & losses	5 959 92	2,382 86	3,577 06	—
Rents payable	4,442 50	3,855 98	586 52	—
Total	$382,243 52	337,102 40	48,894 97	3,743 85
Taxes and asses.	9,570 44	12,732 83	—	3,162 39
Insurance	1,676 25	1,705 00	—	28 75
Law expenses	505 96	3,730 12	—	3,224 16
Total	$393,916 17	355,270 35	48,894 97	10,159 15

From the above table it appears that in every class of expenditures connected with the running of the road, with one exception, there has been a reduction, without, it is believed, affecting the efficiency of the service, amounting in the aggregate to $45,141 12; and the reduction therefrom in consequence of an excess in taxes, assessments and legal expenses cannot be considered as chargeable wholly to the period covered by the table.

The following comparative table of receipts shows that a slight falling off from those of the corresponding period was experienced, but the amount is considerably more than covered by the decrease of expenditures.

Receipts.	Six months end. March 31, 1855.	Six months end. March 31, 1856.
Long line	$157,656 38	$162,298 12
City line	44,766 25	41,771 75
Freight	230,730 70	215,018 14
New Haven pas'gers, freight, haulage, mail, rent, &c	59,719 19	59,176 09
Mails and expresses	3,927 48	4,093 46
Rents	11,451 94	9,722 62
Miscellaneous	284 60	658 45
Totals	$508,536 74	$492,768 61

The result of the six months' business, therefore, compared with the corresponding period in 1854-5, is as follows:—

Total receipts for six months, ending April 1, 1855	$508,536 74
Total expenditures	393,996 17
Leaving for interest, &c	$114,540 57
Total receipts for six months, ending April 1, 1856	492,768 60
Total expenditures of all kinds, except interest	345,270 36
Leaving for interest, &c	$147,498 24

This sum was more than sufficient to meet not only the current interest paid during the six months, but also the coupons outstanding.

The present indebtedness of the Harlem Railroad Company, as compared with that at a corresponding period last year, exhibits the following statement:—

NEW YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD—FUNDED AND FLOATING DEBT.

Floating debt, as previously stated	$050,595 21
Original mortgages on real estate, (not in Mr. Dean's report)	141,312 00
Interest on Albany Extension certificates, due to individuals, not included, since paid	29,223 41
Amount due in settlement of overissue of stock, not included, since paid	76,831 79
Total	$1,177,962 41
Deduct for amount of certain credits on the books	$48,619 20
Value of preferred stock on hand	38,000 00
	86,619 20
True amount of floating debt May 31, 1855	$1,091,343 21
Amount of floating debt March 31, 1856, made up on similar bases	677,166 05
Reduction since May 31, 1855	$414,227 16

The funded debt March 31, 1856, was $3,497,804 71
Do. May 31, 1855 3,036,201 48
Increase $461,103 23
Increased indebtedness $415,876 07

This increase, however, is thought to be more than counterbalanced by the additional value of the wood and materials on hand over the amount on the 31st of May, 1855. It at least is not properly chargeable to the operations of the past year exclusively. No increase, but, on the contrary, a material diminution, would have appeared had it not been for the loss upon the second mortgage bonds negotiated and delivered, amounting to $116 044 74; the expenses attending upon the prosecution or settlement of suits pending when the present board entered upon their duties, amounting to $31,939 75; and the extraordinary repairs and improvements on the line of the road.

Deducting from the foregoing amount (being the balance of the floating debt on the 31st of March last) $577,106 05
The amount of the real estate mortgages, which have several years to run $141,312
And the amount yet to be realized by the delivery of the remaining bonds on hand 322,700
464,012 00
And there remains the sum of $113,094 05

—which is represented by the value of the wood and materials paid for and on hand, amounting, on 31st March, to $138,257 07, and by real estate held by the company in city and along the line of the road, which is unincumbered and that may be disposed of, nearly equal in value to the whole amount.

The report says:—

The real estate owned by the company in the city of New York is constantly increasing in value. From the best information the directors have been able to obtain, they think the real estate owned by the company in the city is worth at this time one million of dollars. Should the company continue to own it until the second mortgage bonds mature, it is fair to estimate, from past results, that that part of the real estate which is only covered by the second mortgage bonds, will by that time be so enhanced in value as to go far towards liquidating the whole amount of those bonds; thus constituting a sinking fund as permanent and reliable as could be devised, and, in connection with the security afforded by the lien upon the rolling stock of the company, rendering those bonds particularly desirable for investments.

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The contract with the New Haven Railroad Company was terminated on the 18th of October last, so far as regards the compensation to be paid by that company to the Harlem Railroad Company for transporting passengers, freight, &c., (this being the only part that the Harlem company have a right to terminate,) by a notice served in conformity to the provisions of the contract; and being unable to agree as to the compensation thereafter to be allowed, the subject was referred to arbitrators, as provided for in that instrument. The arbitrators have been chosen, but owing to various circumstances they have not yet decided the question. It is expected they will be ready with a decision in the fore part of May; and that decision must be more in favor of the Harlem company than the contract recently terminated. The award will, of course, date from the termination of that contract, on the 10th of October last.

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The directors believe a further reduction in the expenses can be made, and if no unusual event takes place to put it out of their power, a resumption of the dividends on the preferred stock may be commenced on the 1st of January next. At any rate, if the present management continues, such will be its aim, and they trust that no disappointment will ensue.

The Chiriqui Improvement Company received by the steamship Illinois at this port from Aspinwall, the following official information regarding recent valuable coal discoveries on their property. The company have a corps of engineers, surveyors, &c., on the way to Chiriqui, with a force sufficient to commence mining operations immediately upon their arrival. We shall hear from them in a few weeks. The following documents must remove any doubt which may have lingered in the mind of any one relative to the deposits of coal on the company's land, and place the enterprise at once upon a sure and substantial foundation. The report of the mining engineers and surveyors is looked for with a great deal of interest, and with the greatest confidence:—

CHIRIQUI IMPROVEMENT COMPANY.

STATE OF PANAMA, Year 1856. } DEPARTMENT OF CHIRIQUI, ALCADIA OF BOCAS DEL TORO.

At the request of Mr. J. A. Morel, agent of the Chiriqui Improvement Company, I, the Alcalde of this district, with the President of the Cabildo, the Secretary of the Alcaldia, and various other persons, did proceed, on the 8th and 9th of this present month, to examine the carboniferous deposits which said agent has lately discovered in the bays of this district, and hereby we declare and certify—

1. That the lands over which we extended our inspection, and upon which are exposed to view large deposits of mineral coal, form a part of *terra firma*, as a promontory, between Chiriqui and Bocas del Toro bays, as far as the natural canal called Bocana, or Splithill.

2. That the land of said promontory and its coal mines are the property of the Chiriqui Improvement Company, in conformity with the laws of the republic.

3. That we have seen the coal in regular beds and inexhaustible deposits, within a space of four miles square.

4. That the repeated trials of this coal made by us, on the spot, prove it to be of superior quality for steam purposes.

5. That there is great facility for extracting the coal, from its proximity to Chiriqui Lagoon and Bocas del Toro Bay, as well as other convenient points.

6. That vessels of the largest size and greatest draught can, in perfect security, to receive the coal, anchor in all weathers, at any point of the aforesaid promontory, near the land, perfectly sheltered, and even fastened to the very trees of the islets of said coal promontory.

And for the purpose of attesting these facts, we hereby sign this present certificate at Bocas del Toro, this 12th day of April, 1856.

PETER SHEPHERD, JR., Alcalde.
GEO. C. SHEPHERD, Secretary.
J. D. BOWIE, President of the Cabildo.

CONSULAR AGENCY OF FRANCE.

We, the undersigned, Consular Agent of France at Colon, do hereby certify that the signatures above recorded are truly those of Peter Shepherd, Jr., Geo. C. Shepherd, and J. D. Bowie, and entitled to full confidence and faith.

In witness whereof we have signed these presents and affixed the consular seal at Colon, 18th of April, 1856.

J. B. DONALISIO, Consular Agent.

CONSULATE OF THE UNITED STATES, PORT OF ASPINWALL.

I, Arch. B. Boyd, United States Consul for the port of Aspinwall, certify that Juan B. Donalisio is Consular Agent for France at this port, and that his signature to the foregoing is true and correct, and worthy of full faith and credence in courts of law and elsewhere.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand and affix the seal of this consulate, this 19th day of April, 1856.

ARCH. B. BOYD.

The value of general merchandise imported into this district during the week ending and including Friday, May 3, 1856, was $2,562 805
Foreign dry goods 1,549,295
Total importation $4,112,100
The exports in the same time were as follows:—
General merchandise $1,408 496
Specie 1,844,639
3,253,135
Excess of imports over exports $858,965

The following is a comparative statement of the value of exports from the commencement of the year to May 1:—

	1855.	1856.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cotton	$3,731,558	4,720,738	989,186	—
Flour	1,518,584	3,916,848	2,398,264	—
Corn meal	117,159	99,415	—	17,744
Wheat	67,938	1,722,104	1,654,256	—
Corn	1,367,029	1,233,199	—	73 830
Beef	730,991	690,827	—	40,164
Pork	1,383,170	1,461,029	77,850	—
Total	$8,856,423	13,844,250	5,119,565	131,738
Net increase to May 1, 1856			$4,987,827	

The annexed table exhibits the quantity and value of certain articles exported from this port during the past week, distinguishing the destination and extent of shipments to each place:—

COMMERCE OF THE PORT OF NEW YORK—WEEKLY EXPORTS.

LIVERPOOL.

Cotton, bls.	5,782	$268,961	Beesw'x, lbs.	18,610
Flour, bbls.	1,362	8,089	Segars, cases	2
Corn, bush.	185,648	129,009	Clocks, boxes	142
Wheat	24,719	44,916	Tobacco, hhds	10
Beef, tierces	685	14,875	Sp. oil, gals.	4,492
Pork, bbls.	292	4,460	Chrome, bbls.	100
Hams, lbs.	108,305	10,127	Logwood, tons	772
Bacon	1,028 587	101,418	Lea cloth, cs.	22
Butter	7,598	1,298	Domestics, bls.	8
Cheese	333,736	24,321	Furs, casks	2
Turpt'e, bbls.	90	243	Mach'y, cs	3
Rosin	6,548	10,368	Potash, bbls.	24
Spirits turp.	701	11,900	Furniture, cs.	6
Annetto, cases	49	1,427	Staves	8,400
Rosin oil, bbls.	100	900		
Total				$676,339

LONDON.

Beef, tcs	100	$2,500	Rosin, bbl	637
Bacon, lbs.	80,000	7,600	Turpentine	1,540
Skins, cs	46	6,515	Raw silk, bas.	15
Clocks, bxs	25	375	Tea, caddies	289
I. R. goods, cs.	1	323	Lumber, ft.	1,000
Lea cloth	7	2,000		
Sp'm oil, gal	3,030	5,808	Total	$38,254

HAVRE.

Cotton, bales	343	$37,323	Chrome, bbls.	100
Flour, bbls	3,500	24,280	iiver ware	1
Lard, lbs	38,296	3,494	Lea cloth	3
Lea cloth, cs.	12	500	W'bone, lbs.	17,553
Jew. ashes, bbl	29	3,850	Qu. bark, bls.	47
Books, cs	7	1,615		
L. R. goods	8	800	Total	$86,575

ANTWERP.

Cotton, bales	326	$15,207	Beeswax, bxs.	1,902
Rye, bus	17,984	16,224	Ex. logw'd	20
Tobacco, bales	75	4,430	Coffee, bags	1,095
Rosin, bbls	560	829	Logwood, tons	44
Rice, tcs	134	3 816		
Total				$55,669

ROTTERDAM.

Lard, lbs	7,077	$860	Lea cloth, cs.	2
W'bone, lbs.	3,226	1,501	Tobacco, cs.	75
Drugs, cs	7	744	Tobacco, lbs.	1,497
Turpentine, bbls	150	475	Cedar, logs	92
Honey, cs	413	12,706		
Total				$22,158

MALTA.

Tea, boxes	27	$270	Rosin, bbls	75
Rum, bbls	100	1,731	Tar	75
Brandy, cs	100	1,564	Pitch	75
Tobacco, hhds	20	3,048	S. turpentine	25
Do., lbs	2,115	3,654	Staves	52
Furniture, cs.	113	1,629		
Total				$19,700

NAPLES

Cotton, bales	1,912	$96 804	Mahog'y, logs	45
Coffee, bags	760	4 208	Logwood, tons	65
Total				$102,132

OPORTO

Clocks, boxes	27	$627	Staves	10
Spermaceti	2	415	Staves	3,700
Log wood, tons	67	768		
S. turpentine	56	473	Total	$2,625

GLASGOW.

Flour, bbls.	3,836	$26,419	Logwood, tons	80
Corn, bush.	2 499	1,674	Segars, cases	5
Beef, tcs	264	5,185	Tobacco, lbs.	2,300
Pork, bbls	29	240	Bark, hhds	10
Bacon, lbs.	229,817	20,996	Turpent'e, bbls	100
Lard	25,126	2,360	S turpentine	170
Cheese	15,080	1,270	Tar	2,078
Rosin, bbls	700	1,258		
Total				$72,204

BRITISH NORTH AMERICAN COLONIES.

Flour, bbls.	7,096	$46 231	Sugar, bbls	21
Meal	782	3,340	Segars, cs	4
Rye flour	265	1,262	Tea, chests	480
Beef	20	197	Bread, bbls	200
Pork	716	12,775	Oil, gals	890
Bacon, lbs.	4,715	295	Sturp., bbls	10
Rice, tcs	14	378	Cement	400
Leather, sides	80	613	Oakum, cas	80
Tobacco, lbs.	17,963	2,449	Hemp	40
Clothing, bxs.	10	244	Tobacco, cs	15
Rum, puns	5	400		
Tar, bbls	100	375	Total	$80,126

HAYTI.

Flour, bbls	300	$2,344	Codfish, lbs.	45,750
Pork	200	3 544	Rice, bbls	25
Butter, lbs	686	144	Dry goods, cs.	5
Lard	2,314	275	Pepper, bags	20
Fish, bbls	125	653	Tobacco, lbs.	104
Soap, bxs	300	375		
Total				$11,947

BRITISH WEST INDIES.

Flour, bbls	797	$6,978	Candles, bxs.	500
Meal	1 879	7,088	Oatmeal, cs.	366
Corn, bush	1,685	1,551	W'ware, doz.	120
Beef, tcs	28	317	Hay, bales	145
Butter, lbs.	2,495	545	Rice, tcs	20
Cheese	5,401	582	Pork, bbls	225
Lard	3,460	460	Oxen	80
Bread, bbls	187	731		
Total				$34,898

CUBA.

Hams, lbs.	4,196	$505	Machinery	2
Pork, bbls	115	2,441	Hhds	370
Lard, lbs.	22,050	2,259	Hoops	55,350
Drugs, cs	35	1 100	Shoots, bdl	1 000
Rice, tcs	311	5,059	Boards, ft	40,000
Bread, bbls	100	100	Cheese, lbs.	1 260
Salt	300	510	Furniture, bxs	54
Soap, bxs	200	250	Paper, rs	400
Candles	139	389	Fish, bbls	30
Hardware, cs.	110	575		
Total				$20,944

PORTO RICO.

Flour, bbls.	400	$2,775	Candles, bxs.	200
Meal, bbls	75	599	Soap, bxs	100
Hams, lbs.	2,665	202	Bread, bbls.	80
Butter, lbs.	1,545	178	Tobacco, lbs.	1,540
Pork, bbls	85	1 851	Boards, ft.	20,000
Lard, lbs.	17,704	1,938	Tobacco, cs.	30
Cheese, lbs.	3,980	373	Codfish, lbs.	25 300
Cassia, mats.	100	111	Fish, bbls	100
Pepper, bags	31	344	Tin roofing	—
Rice, tcs	63	1,677		
Total				$17,375

MEXICO.

Domestics, bas	12	$810	Combs, cs	1
Drugs, cs	6	253	Glassware, cs.	14
I.R. goods, cs.	9	1,929		
Hardware, cs.	39	522	Total	$4,864

BRITISH GUIANA.

Flour, bbls	500	$4,060	Bread, bbls	450
Meal	100	340	Tar	50
Corn, bush	300	250	Potatoes	127
Beef, bbls	117	2,574	Tobacco, hhds	2
Pork	300	5,100	Matches, cs	30
Cheese, lbs.	4 450	530		
Lard, lbs.	11,250	1,350	Total	$16,604

FRENCH WEST INDIES.

Flour, bbls.	1,211	$9,470	Peas, bush	100
Corn, bush	200	156	Tobacco, hhds	11
Beef, bbls	35	660	Fish, cs	230
Pork	15	280	Staves	10,000
Hams, lbs.	1,560	200		
Total				$12,736

BRAZIL.

Flour, bbls.	2,000	$19,700	Whiteleaf, kgs	100
Lard, lbs.	9,066	1,037	Paper, reams	520
Domestics, ba	130	7,639		
Rosin, bbls.	175	280	Total	$28,701

DUTCH WEST INDIES.

Flour, bbls.	256	$1,926	Soap, bxs	100
Beef	20	230	Bread, bbls.	100
Butter, lbs.	1,264	252	Hay, bales	50
Lard	6,973	705		
Total				$3,778

AFRICA.

Pork, bbls.	12	$137	Domestics, bas	18
Butter, lbs.	1,750	262	Bread, bols.	80
Rum, cs	140	2,834	Codfish, lbs.	4,150
Tobacco, bbls.	33	5,709		
Total				$10,260

CHINA.

Flour, bbls.	700	$7,486	Coal, tons	100
Beef, bbls	130	1,425	Cordage, cs.	78
Pork, bbls	30	498	Drugs, cs	50
Guns, cs	8	720	Ginseng, casks	123
Cannons	27	4,748	Cochineal, cs.	12
Ammunition	7	618	Boards, ft.	24,941
Lead, pigs	2,514	20,910		
Domestics, ba.	310	14,251	Total	$85,834

VENEZUELA.

Flour, bbls	355	$3,330	Tobacco, lbs.	1,298
Butter, lbs	360	108	Rice, casks	11
Lard, lbs	4,060	494	Wicking, bas.	8
Drugs, cs	22	820	Domestics, bas	14
Shoes, cs	2	220	Dry goods, bas	49
Tobacco, hhds	11	2,154	Powder, casks	10
Wine, cs	50	1,846		
Total				$12,003

Stock Exchange.

SATURDAY, May 3, 1856.

$1000 Ohio 6's, '70	109	350	shs Erie RR	c	56⅝
1000 Califor'a 7's, '70	89	150	do	b30	57
2000 Ill Interest	77	400	Harlem RR		18⅝
5000 Virginia 6's	93½	47	Harlem Pref'd		51
500 Erie Bds '75	91	400	Reading RR	c	89⅝
1000 Erie Conv '71	82¾	800	do	c	90
500 Hud Riv 1st Mt	100	500	do	s30	90
5,000 Hud R 2d Mt.	b60	69	400	do	s60	90
30,000 Ill Cent Bds.	s60	87¼	600	do	b60	91
25000	do	87⅝	1250	do	b60	90¾
10000	do	b7	87½	100	do	b30	90¾
17500	do	c	87¼	200	Mich Cen RR	s3	95
5000	do	s4m	87	100	do	b30	95¼
2000 Ill Free'd	w p	92	100	do	b60	96
8500 N Y Cent	5's	102¾	850	Mich S & N Ind R	b60	97
40 shs Mech'cs Bk		119½	670	do	s3	95¼
20 Merchants' Ex Bk		108¼	50	do	s30	96¼
5 Bk of Commerce		110	600	do		95¾
98	do	109¼	400	Panama RR	b60	104
10 Bk N America		106	25	do		105¼
10 Hanover Bank		96½	100	Ill Cent RR	b60	100
25 Corn Exch Bank		104¾	200	Cleve & Pitts RR	b60	65½
15 Park Bank		94	300	do	c	64
10 Continal Bank		109	40	Cleve C & Cin		102
10 Imp & Trad Bk		102½	14	Third Avenue RR		70
100 Canton Co	s3	23	200	Gal & Chic RR	b60	112
300 Penn Coal Co.	s60	99	115	do	c	111¾
100	do	c	99½	50	do	s30	111¾
100	do	b30	99¾	70	do		111½
8 Cumb Coal Co		22	500	Cleve & Toledo RR		75
250	do		22½	100	do	b3	76
200 N Y Centl RR	s3	91½	2150	do	c	76
100	do	s3	91⅝	200	do	b30	77¼
100	do	b60	92¼	450	do	b30	77
40	do		91¾	70	do		76¼
206 Erie RR	s3	56½	250	Chic & Rk Is RR	s3	92
100	do	b60	57	300	do	s3	92¼
200	do	b7d	56⅝	100	do	b60	93
150	do	b30	56¾				

SECOND BOARD.

$2000 Virginia 6's	93¼	200	Erie RR	b30	57¼
1000 Missouri 6's	85	550	do	b60	57⅜
11000 T Haute & A 2d M	77	050	do	s3	56⅞
50 Bank Commerce	109½	400	do	b3	57
200 N Y Cent RR	92	100	Reading RR	s30	90½
100	do	s60	92	50	do	90¼
250	do	92¼	200	do	b10	90⅜
50 Panama RR	b30	104	100	do	s30	90⅞
100 Hud River RR	34¾	100	Mich S & N Ind	s60	96
50 Erie RR	b30	57	100	Cleve & Tol RR		77
50	do	56¾	100	do	s60	76½
100	do	bwk	56⅞	100	Cumb Coal Co.	b60	22⅞
150	do	b10	57	100	do	b30	22⅝

MINING BOARD.

100 shs W & C & Im Co.	b15	45¼	50	shs Gard'r Gld.	b15	100
100 Fl & Kypt Jt	b15	20	400	do	c	100
500 Gard'r Gold	s3	100	100	N Carolina	b3	130
200	do	b3	100	200 Aberdeen	s3	7

CITY COMMERCIAL REPORT.

SATURDAY, May 3—6 P. M.

ASHES.—The market was quiet and easier, with sales of pearls at $7 62½, and of pots, to arrive, at $6 75. The annexed statement shows the quantity of ashes in the inspection warehouse, May 2, 1856:—

	Pots, bbls.	Pearls, bbls.
First sort	62	0
Second sort	6	4
Third sort	1	0
Condemned	1	1
Total	70	5

The receipts of ashes from January 1 to April 30, 1855, were 5,872 pbls.; 1856, 4,297 bols.; showing a decrease of 1,575 bbls.

BREADSTUFFS.—Flour—The market continued firm, with fair sales. The advance in freights had a tendency to check operations for export. The transactions footed up about 4,000 a 5,000 bbls., at about the following quotations:—

Common to good State	$5 75	a $6 12½
Common to good Michigan	5 62½	a 6 00
Extra State	6 25	a 6 37½
Common to good Ohio	6 12½	a 6 25
Extra Ohio	6 75	a 8 00
Extra Genesee	7 00	a 8 50
Southern mixed to good brands	6 50	a 7 25
Do. fancy and extra	7 25	a 8 50
Canadian, superfine and extra	6 25	a 8 25
Choice extra Georgetown, Richmond and St. Louis	9 00	a 10 00

Included in the above sales were about 700 a 800 bbls. Canadian, at the above quotations. Southern was firmer and more doing; the sales footed up about 2,500 bbls., at the figures given above. Wheat—The sales embraced about 5,000 bushels, including prime Tennessee red, at $1 62½, and fair Southern white at $1 70. Corn—Prime lots, in shipping order, were scarce. The sales embraced about 15,000 a 20,000 bushels, at 56c. a 58c. for unsound, 59c. a 60c. for mixed, 60c. a 62½c. for Southern yellow, and 61c. a 64c. for good to prime white do.—the latter an outside price paid for a choice lot. Rye was quiet at 77c. a 78c. for Northern. Southern was nominal. Oats were in fair demand, and prices firm at 38c. a 42c. for State, and 43c. a 48c. for Ohio and Chicago.

Corn was quiet and sales limited; some 200 a 300 bags Rio were reported, in lots at 11⅝c. a 11¾c., with 100 bags estimated at 10⅝c. a 10¾c.; 50 do. Laguayra sold at 12c., and 150 mats Java at 15c.

FREIGHTS.—Rates for Great Britain continued firm, though engagements were light. To Liverpool 17,000 bushels of grain were engaged at 4¾d. a 5d. in bulk and bags; some cotton was reported at ⅝d. a 3-16d.; some parcels of flour were engaged at 2s. 6d. To London 300 boxes of lemons were engaged at 22s. 6d. There was nothing new in rates to the Continent. To California, rates were steady at 30c. per foot, measurement.

HAY was quiet at 70c. a 75c.

HIDES.—The market was dealer, with a fair amount of sales.

LEATHER.—The trade demand continued fair and prices well sustained. The receipts of the week amounted 54,100 sides hemlock, 9,950 oak. The sales included were 48,000 hemlock and 3,400 oak sides, leaving on hand 19,000 sides of the former and 6,300 of the latter.

MOLASSES.—The sales embraced 66 hhds. Porto Rico at 36c. and 62 barrels do. at 42½c., 61 do. Cuba muscovado at 32c. a 32½c.; Trinidad do. at 38c. and 250 barrels New Orleans at 47c. a 48c.

NAVAL STORES.—The market was quiet and prices unchanged.

PROVISIONS.—Pork—The market was unsettled and as of mess were confined to about 300 bbls., at $17 75 a $18. Prime was inactive, a $16 50 a $16. Beef—The sales were about 200 bbls., including country prime and mess, at $7 50 a $8 for the former, and one at $8 50 a $9. Cut meats were unchanged. Lard was firm, with sales of 200 a 300 bbls., at 10c. a 10⅜c. Butter was heavy, and prices dull. White cheese was firm.

RICE was quiet, and prices unchanged.

SPICES.—25 bags pimento sold at 11c., and 100 do. for export at p t.

SUGAR.—The inclemency of the weather had a tendency to check sales, which were confined to about 400 a 500 hhds. Cuba muscovado at 6⅞c. a 7¼c. a 7¾c.

TEAS, terms, six months.—Gunpowder—50 hf chs at 47c.; 50 do. 43½c.; 47 do. 43c.; 68 do. 32½c.; 42 do.